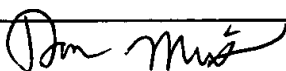


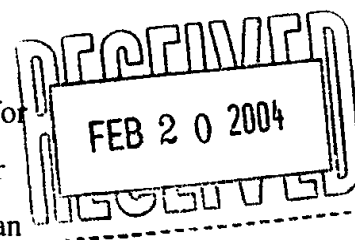


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	Confirmation Number	4963
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	Examiner	Gerald G Leffers Jr.
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	Attorney Docket No.	MES-01-CON3

Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated August 7, 2003, for which a three-month period for response was given, making this response due on or before November 7, 2003. Applicants submit concurrently herewith a Petition for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for response to the Office Action for a period of three (3) months from November 7, 2003 up to and including February 9, 2003. In view of the amendments to the claims and the remarks set forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.



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